South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board Meeting

Thursday, January 17, 2019 10:00 A.M. Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Room 105 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Board Members Present

Gwendolyn Wilson, Ed.D. CCC-A, Chairperson Beth F. Montgomery, M.S., CCC-SLP, Vice Chair Jason Wigand, Au.D., CCC-A Sara D. Emory, M.S., CCC-SLP Elizabeth Bunge, Public Member

Staff Present

Stacey L. Hewson, Advice Counsel Mack Williams, Administrator Julia Lawson, Board Assistant

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at 110 Centerview Drive Columbia, SC 29210 Board of Examiners in Speech Language Pathology and Audiology office, lobby of the Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. A quorum was present at all times.

Call to Order

Dr. Wilson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m., Room 105 Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Approval of Agenda

The January 17, 2019 agenda was presented for review and approval.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Montgomery and approved.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: In open session, Dr. Wigand made a motion to approve the October 18, 2018 minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Emory and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of absent members

All members present.

New Business

<u>OIE Report-</u> Mr. Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, presented the OIE Report. Quarterly statistics for the first quarter. No new information. The Board accepted the OIE report as information.

IRC Report- Mr. Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, presented the IRC Report. There are three (3) cases, one (1) dismissal, and two (2) formal complaints.

Ms. Emory recused herself from case 2018-8.

<u>Motion-</u> In open session, Dr. Wigand made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations of dismissals for cases 2018-8. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bunge and approved.

Ms. Emory rejoined the meeting.

<u>Motion-</u> In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for formal complaint case numbers 2018-2 and 2018-10. The motion was seconded by Ms. Montgomery and approved.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Ms. Baldwin, Esq., Office of Disciplinary Council, presented the ODC report; there are four (4) pending cases. The Board accepted the ODC report as information.

<u>Financial Report:</u> Mr. Williams reviewed the finance report. The Board accepted the finance report as information.

Renewals: Mr. Williams updated the Board on renewals.

Ethics Commission: Mr. Williams reminded the Board to file with the Ethics by the deadline of March 30, 2019.

Application Hearings:

Renewal Applications

Tracy Gillette: The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Ms. Gillette's license should be renewed to practice as a speech language pathologist in South Carolina. Ms. Gillette did not appear before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion:</u> In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice regarding renewal application. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wigand and approved.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session [10:31 a.m. – 11:09 a.m.]

Motion: Ms. Bunge made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wigand and approved.

Motion: Ms. Bunge made a motion to suspend Ms. Gillette license with conditions. The motion was seconded by Ms. Montgomery and approved.

Katherine Leninger: The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Ms. Leninger license should be renewed to practice as a speech language pathologist in South Carolina. Ms. Leninger did not appear before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice regarding renewal application. The motion was seconded by Ms. Emory and approved.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session [11:18 a.m. – 11:27 a.m.]

<u>Motion:</u> Ms. Montgomery made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bunge and approved.

<u>Motion:</u> Ms. Montgomery made a motion to refer the matter of Ms. Leninger to ODC. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bunge and approved.

Continuing Education Request for Approval or Disapproval

Neurorehabilitation: Therapeutic Interventions for the Adult Brain Injury and Stroke Populations

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the CE request titled Neurorehabilitation: Therapeutic Interventions for the Adult Brain Injury and Stroke Populations for eight (8) continuing education hours. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bunge and approved.

Discussion Items

Update CEU Audit: Mr. Williams updated the Board on the CE Audit.

CE Broker: The Board discussed CE Broker.

Legislative Updates: Mr. Williams updated the Board on pending legislation.

ADJOURNMENT

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Wigand motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Montgomery and approved.

(The meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.)

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Administrator Date